

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-0813-4

BOARD POLICY ON ELECTRONIC PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS

WHEREAS, the East Shore Conservancy District (“ESCD”) is a district organized under the Indiana Conservancy Act as outlined in **Indian Code 14-33**, with the authority to exercise executive and legislative functions;

WHEREAS, **Indiana Code 14-33-5-20** permits the ESCD to adopt rules and procedures and to determine matters of policy regarding internal organization and operations; and

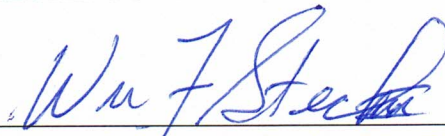
WHEREAS, **Indiana Code 5-14-1.5-3.6** permits a member of the Board of ESCD to attend and participate in a meeting of the Board by electronic communication provided certain requirements set forth therein are followed; and

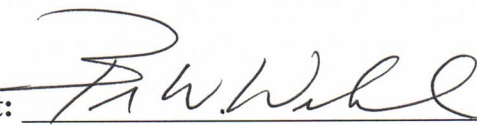
WHEREAS, the board of the ESCD now desires to adopt a policy that will permit members to participate electronically in public meetings and executive sessions of the board and its committees, as permitted by Indiana Code 5-14-1.5-3.6.

NOW, THEREFORE, the ESCD resolves that the policy attached hereto and identified as Resolution #2021-0813-4, is hereby adopted and shall be in full force and effect as of August 13, 2021.

HEREBY APPROVED and effective on August 13, 2021, at the regularly convened meeting of the board of the East Shore Conservancy District.

EAST SHORE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

By: 
William F. Steck III, Chair of the ESCD Board

Attest: 
Brian W. Welch, Secretary for the ESCD Board

**EAST SHORE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BOARD POLICY
Electronic Participation in Meetings**

Resolution #2021-0813-4

1.0 PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

1.1 To establish a policy, under East Shore Conservancy District Resolution #2021-0813-4, that will permit 2 members of the board of the East Shore Conservancy District (ESCD) when to participate electronically in meetings of the Board of the ESCD, as permitted by IC 5-14-1.5-3.6.

2.0 POLICY PROVISIONS

2.1.1 Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, electronic participation shall be allowed at public meetings and executive sessions of the Board as long as two (2) or more of the Board members are physically present at the designated meeting site of the Board.

2.1.2 Each member must physically attend at least one (1) Board meeting, at the designated meeting site during each calendar year.

2.1.3 Any Board member participating via electronic means must use electronic means that allows all participating members of the governing body and members of the public to simultaneously communicate with each other.

2.1.4 Where at least one member is participating in a Board meeting via electronic meetings, all of the votes must be taken by roll call and the minutes of said meeting must identify how each member voted.

2.1.5 A member appropriately participating in a Board meeting via electronic means: (i) is considered present for that meeting; (ii) is counted for quorum purposes; and (iii) may vote at the meeting on all matters. In addition, said member may cast the deciding vote on any matter properly before the Board, and shall, and is encouraged to, fully participate in all of the aspects of said meeting.

2.1.6 A member participating in a Board meeting via electronic means is not required to do so in a setting that is open to the public.

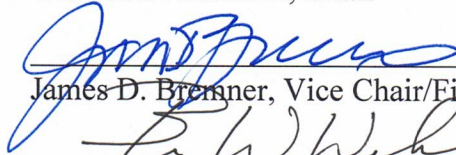
2.1.7 Any member planning to attend a Board meeting via electronic means must first give two days notice thereof to the Board chair, who, in turn, shall promptly inform the ESCD's operations manager so that proper arrangements can be made for that member's participation by electronic means. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a member's participation by electronic means may be denied, prior to the commencement of the meeting, by the board chair in his or her sole judgment or discretion.

2.1.8 A member may be allowed to attend electronically more than 50% of the meetings held in a calendar year if the following occur: Military service; illness or other medical condition; death of a relative; or an emergency involving actual or threatened injury to persons or property.

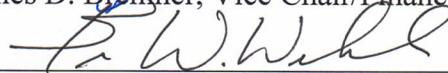
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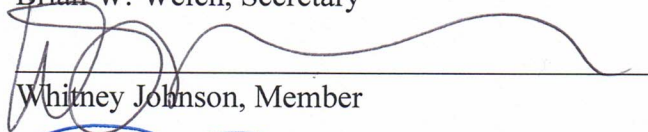
William F. Steck III, Chair



James D. Brenner, Vice Chair/Financial Clerk



Brian W. Welch, Secretary



Whitney Johnson, Member



Peter D. Cleveland, Member